

1773. A letter from the Secretary, Department of State, transmitting the Department's Performance and Accountability Report for FY 2002; to the Committee on Government Reform.

1774. A letter from the Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Acquisition Policy, General Service Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Acquisition Circular 2001-13; Introduction — received April 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Government Reform.

1775. A letter from the Director, Office of Surface Mining, Department of the Interior, transmitting the Department's final rule — Alabama Regulatory Program [AL-072-FOR] received April 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Resources.

1776. A letter from the Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NMFS, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, transmitting the Administration's biennial federal assistance report; to the Committee on Resources.

1777. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Security Zones; Tampa Bay, Port of Tampa, Port of Saint Petersburg, Port Manatee, Rattlesnake, Old Port Tampa, Big Bend, Weedon Island, and Crystal River, FL [COTP Tampa-03-006] (RIN: 1625-AA00) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1778. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Coronado Beach Bridge (SR 44), Intracoastal Waterway, New Smyrna Beach, Florida [CGD7-02-077] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1779. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operation Regulations; Long Island, New York Inland Waterway from East Rockaway Inlet to Shinnecock Canal, NY [CGD01-03-024] received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1780. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Drawbridge Operations Regulation; Nanticoke River, Seafood, DE [CGD05-02-020] (RIN: 1625-AA09) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1781. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulated Navigation Area, Safety and Security Zones; Long Island Sound Marine Inspection and Captain of the Port Zone [CGD01-01-187] (RIN: 2115-AA00, AA11) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1782. A letter from the Chief, Regulations and Administrative Law, USCG, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting the Department's final rule — Regulated Navigation Area; Kill Van Kull Channel, Newark Bay Channel, South Elizabeth Channel, Elizabeth Channel, Port Newark Channel and New Jersey Pierhead Channel, New York and New Jersey [CGD01-03-017] (RIN: 1625-AA11) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1783. A letter from the Chairman, Office of the General Counsel, Surface Transportation

Board, transmitting the Board's final rule — Procedures to Expedite Resolution of Rail Rate Challenges to be Considered Under the Stand-Alone Cost Methodology (STB Ex Parte No. 638) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

1784. A letter from the Chief, Regulations Unit, Internal Revenue Service, transmitting the Service's final rule — Announcement and Report Concerning Advance Pricing Agreements (Announcement 2003-19) received April 2, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1785. A letter from the Regulations Officer, SSA, Social Security Administration, transmitting the Administration's final rule — Federal Old-Age, Survivors and Disability Insurance; Repeal of the Facility-of-Payment Provision [Regulation No. 4] (RIN: 0960-AE02) received April 7, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); to the Committee on Ways and Means.

1786. A letter from the Under Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting the Department's plan to implement legislation concerning the transfer of Montgomery GI Bill entitlements to family members, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 3020 Public Law 107—107, section 654; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs.

1787. A letter from the Assistant Secretary, Department of Defense, transmitting a report on Outreach to Gulf War Veterans Calendar Year 2002; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs.

1788. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting the Department's seventh report describing the administration of the Montgomery GI Bill educational assistance program; jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs.

1789. A letter from the Secretaries, Departments of Defense and Veterans Affairs, transmitting a report on the implementation of the health resources sharing portion of the Department of Veterans Affairs and Department of Defense Health Resources Sharing and Emergency Operations Act, pursuant to 38 U.S.C. 8111(f); jointly to the Committees on Armed Services and Veterans' Affairs.

1790. A letter from the Chief Counsel for Advocacy, Small Business Administration, transmitting the Administration's annual report of the Chief Counsel for Advocacy on Implementation of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, Fiscal Year 2002, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 612(a); jointly to the Committees on the Judiciary and Small Business.

1791. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's report entitled, "Evaluation Results for Two Demonstrations: The Social Health Maintenance Organization (S/HMO) II Demonstration and the End-Stage Renal Disease (ESRD) Managed Care Demonstration," pursuant to Public Law 98—369, section 2355(d)(1) and (2); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

1792. A letter from the Regulations Coordinator, CMS, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's final rule — Medicare Program; Improvements to the MedicareChoice Appeal and Grievance Procedures [CMS-4024-FC] (RIN: 0938-AK48) received April 4, 2003, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A); jointly to the Committees on Ways and Means and Energy and Commerce.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES ON PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XIII, reports of committees were delivered to the Clerk

for printing and reference to the proper calendar, as follows:

Mr. NUSSLE: Committee of Conference. Conference report on House Concurrent Resolution 95. Resolution establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2004 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2003 and 2005 through 2013 (Rept. 108-71). Ordered to be printed.

Mr. HASTINGS of Washington: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 191. Resolution waiving points of order against the conference report to accompany the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 95) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2004 and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2003 and 2005 through 2013 (Rept. 108-72). Referred to the House Calendar.

Mrs. MYRICK: Committee on Rules. House Resolution 192. Resolution waiving a requirement of clause 6(a) of rule XIII with respect to consideration of certain resolutions reported from the Committee on Rules (Rept. 108-73). Referred to the House Calendar.

PUBLIC BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Under clause 2 of rule XII, public bills and resolutions were introduced and severally referred, as follows:

By Mr. VISCLOSKY (for himself, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. MCINTYRE, Mr. GRIJALVA, Mr. HOLDEN, Mr. BISHOP of New York, Mr. FORD, Ms. HOOLEY of Oregon, Mr. LARSON of Connecticut, Ms. HARMAN, Mr. KILDEE, Mrs. MALONEY, Mr. MCDERMOTT, Mr. SERRANO, Mr. McNULTY, Mr. MENENDEZ, Mr. MORAN of Virginia, Ms. BALDWIN, Mr. FRANK of Massachusetts, Mr. KENNEDY of Rhode Island, and Mr. KANJORSKI):

H.R. 1708. A bill to extend the authorization of the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Program; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. MARKEY (for himself, Mr. ROHRBACHER, Mr. WAXMAN, and Mr. DINGELL):

H.R. 1709. A bill to restore standards to protect the privacy of individually identifiable health information that were weakened by the August 2002 modifications, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Ways and Means, and Education and the Workforce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. FOLEY (for himself and Mr. NEAL of Massachusetts):

H.R. 1710. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to restore the full market basket percentage increase applied to payments to hospitals for inpatient hospital services furnished to Medicare beneficiaries, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

By Mr. OBERSTAR (for himself, Mr. LOBIONDO, Mr. DEFAZIO, and Mr. QUINN):

H.R. 1711. A bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to ensure that functions relating to the air traffic control system are carried out directly by the United States Government; to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.